## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

JOSEPH G. PASIAK,

Plaintiff,

-against-

5:06-CV-259 (LEK/GJD)

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

This matter comes before the Court following a Report-Recommendation filed on June 23, 2008 by the Honorable Gustave J. Di Bianco, United States Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and L.R. 72.3 of the Northern District of New York. Report-Rec. (Dkt. No. 15). After ten days from the service thereof, the Clerk has sent the entire file to the undersigned, including the objections by Plaintiff Joseph G. Pasiak, which were filed on July 7, 2008. Objections (Dkt. No. 16).

It is the duty of this Court to "make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). "A [district] judge... may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." <u>Id.</u> This Court has considered the objections and has undertaken a de novo review of the record and has determined that the Report-Recommendation should be approved for the reasons stated therein.

Accordingly, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that the Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 15) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** in its **ENTIRETY**; and it is further

ORDERED, that the decision of the Commissioner is AFFIRMED; and it is further ORDERED, that Plaintiff's Complaint (Dkt. No. 1) is DISMISSED; and it is further ORDERED, that the Clerk serve a copy of this Order on all parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: July 14, 2008

Albany, New York

Lawrence E. Kahn U.S. District Judge